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Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

EA-18G Growler Airfield Operations at Naval Air Station Whidbey Island

Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for your interest in the U.S. Navy's *Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)* for the EA-18G *Growler Airfield Operations at Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island*. The EIS will evaluate the potential environmental effects associated with ongoing and future EA-18G Growler airfield operations at NAS Whidbey Island's Ault Field and Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Coupeville, including the proposed introduction of two additional Growler expeditionary squadrons as well as the addition of Growler aircraft to the training squadron. The scoping period for the EIS was initiated with the publication of the Notice of Intent to prepare the EIS and to announce public scoping meetings in the *Federal Register* on September 5, 2013. During the scoping period, the Navy invites you to submit comments on the scope of analysis and content to be addressed in the EIS. Comments may be submitted during the extended 120-day public comment period between September 5, 2013 and January 3, 2014.

A copy of the scoping materials can be obtained by visiting the project website at http://www.whidbeyeis.com/.

There are FOUR ways to provide comments:

- 1. Fill out a comment sheet and drop it in the comment box at one of the open house public meetings listed below.
- Provide verbal comments to the stenographer at one of the meetings listed below.
- 3. Submit your comments through the mail by sending them to:
 - EA-18G EIS Project Manager
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- Visit the project website at http://www.whidbeyeis.com/
 for further information and to provide written comments.

Open House Scoping Meetings:

December 3, 2013 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Coupeville High School Commons Area 501 South Main Street Coupeville, WA 98239

December 5, 2013 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Anacortes Middle School Cafeteria 2202 M Avenue Anacortes, WA 98221

December 4, 2013 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Oak Harbor High School Student Union Building 1 Wildcat Way Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Comments must be submitted by January 3, 2014.